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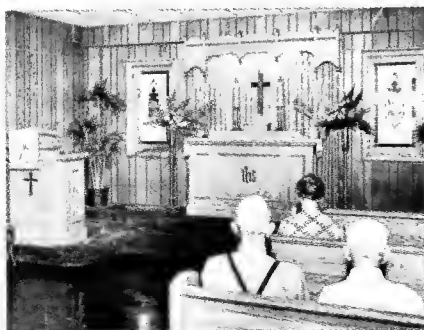
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## *From the Desk of the President*



### **LARGE NUMBERS — AND SMALL**

Being president of the Mahoning County Medical Society during its centennial year has been a proud and memorable experience. It has been a year of many joys, the most auspicious of which was the centennial celebration at Powers Auditorium on Nov. 4th. But just as exciting was the months of planning and the countless tasks undertaken by so many people to whom we owe the great success of our venture.

It has been a year of large numbers. More than 200 physicians contributed to the Centennial Fund to provide our birthday gift to the community. Almost 1800 persons came to our centennial program and helped to make it a true celebration. More than \$31,000 is being given by the Mahoning County Medical Society to the cultural life of our community.

It has also been a year of small numbers — and this has been a great personal disappointment. The number of members in attendance at each of our four business meetings this year has been small—barely surpassing the 10% required for a quorum. This showing is not worthy of physicians individually nor worthy of the organization which represents them. We accomplish much with little. Think of what we might accomplish with many.

Last month, I thanked those most responsible for the centennial celebration. Now I thank everyone whose efforts supported the Mahoning County Medical Society in 1972 — council, committees, Woman's Auxiliary, office staff and all of those individuals, both physicians and laymen, who made contributions of time, talent and money in the interest of medicine and art.

To Ed Pichette I hand the gavel, along with my best wishes and my pledge of support. May 1973 be a year of solidarity, accomplishment and renewed vitality. Happy New Year!

—Henry Holden, M.D.  
President





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### Editorial

## "To Each Song There's An End"

We have just completed the celebration of our Centennial Year—1972 and now are about to embark on our second 100 years. What we have done shall be long remembered. Dr. Henry Holden did an outstanding job as our Centennial President and is worthy of a place of honor in the annals of medical history in our community. The "Torch is now passed" to the new president, Dr. C. E. Pichette, who has proven himself over the past years to be an able leader and spokesman for medicine. We need to strongly and loyally support him in his endeavors. The road of medicine is full of obstacles, challenges, sorrows and yet along the trail is self-esteem, satisfaction and the joy and contentment of a job well done. Let us pull together and not pull apart!

We, as physicians, have a magnificent heritage, thousands of years old. I like to believe the doctor's status is an earned one, developed by those who came before us but, more importantly, to be continued by those of us in the present to preserve and protect this heritage and reputation for generations of physicians yet unborn.

—John C. Melnick, M.D.  
Editor

## A History of Medicine in Youngstown and Mahoning Valley SIXTH DISTRICT COUNCILORS

John C. Melnick, M.D.

Only three physicians from the Mahoning County Medical Society have been honored by their colleagues by being elected to the office of Councilor of the Sixth District of the Ohio State Medical Association. The first was Dr. A. Earl Brant who served in 1933. The second was Dr. William Skipp who was elected in 1935 and served for four years. The most recent was Dr. Carl A. Gustafson who was elected twenty years ago and served for a period of seven years, 1952-1959.

**BELOW:** Dr. Gustafson with OSMA plaque award. **INSET:** Dr. Brant and Dr. Skipp.



Dr. Gustafson was born on a farm near Philadelphia, Illinois, a town of 200 people. He is the son of Charles and Augusta Lundquist Gustafson and has three younger sisters. The Gustafson's home was a very religious one and served as headquarters for Methodist clergy traveling through the corn country. The family later moved to Lincoln, Nebraska, where great difficulty was encountered as the result of the hot winds. A move was then made to Paris, Illinois, where floods wiped out crops for three consecutive years. His father showed determination to stay, work and become successful. The traits which were to be shown by Dr. Gustafson in later years in his becoming a doctor the hard way.

As a youth he walked 1½ miles each way to school and for a \$1 a month he made the teacher's fires. In high school he traveled by bike 10 miles over country roads to Virginia, Illinois. His early interest was piano, which he studied for seven years. In high school Dr. Gustafson starred in track and basketball. He earned his room and board by working for one of the city's leading families. His summers were spent earning money in a variety of ways—selling shoes, working on farms, pumping an organ for Sunday Church, etc. He graduated with a B.S. degree from Illinois College in Jacksonville. At one time he was assistant professor in the biology department.

In order to earn his way through medical school Dr. Gustafson taught science and mathematics for ten years at Chaney and South High Schools in Youngstown. He graduated in 1933 from Rush Medical College at the University of Chicago and served his internship in 1933-34 at The Youngstown Hospital Association. He spent an additional year, 1934-35, as a resident and

entered the practice of medicine in 1935 at a well known address for many years—101 Lincoln Avenue. This was on the southwest corner of Lincoln and Phelps Street. In recent years the Ohio Bell Company acquired the property for expansion. A number of well-known physicians had offices at one time in the house; this included Drs. Robert Morrison, John Lindsay, John Noll, Walter Turner, J. P. Harvey, G. McKelvey and A. Shorten.

Dr. Gustafson has been very active in medical circles during his entire career. He has served on a number of committees and held many important offices. He served the second longest term as editor of the *Bulletin*, serving in 1946, 1947, 1948 and 1949. He was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society in 1952, then served as Councilor of the Sixth District from 1952-1959. He also served as an alternate delegate to the American Medical Association, served for years on the Council of our Society and was chairman of a special committee for the Preservation of the Voluntary System of Medical Practice.

Dr. and Mrs. Gustafson had the distinction of being the first husband and wife to serve simultaneously as president of the Women's Auxiliary and President of the Mahoning County Medical Society in 1952. Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Pichette have this honor in 1973.

## 100 YEARS: MOMENTS IN MEDICINE

Here are more "firsts" from the first hundred years of medicine in Youngstown.

- First physician to institute rabies inoculation — Dr. S. G. Patton, Sr.
- First mass X-ray program against Tuberculosis — Dr. S. G. Patton, Sr.
- First blood pressure apparatus — Associate of Dr. H. H. Hawin
- First doctor in Western Reserve Territory — Dr. Moses Thompson, Hudson, Ohio, 1800
- First closed circuit TV — 1962 Academy of General Practice—Canfield Fair Exhibit
- First mass diphtheria immunization — Dr. Stewart G. Patton, Sr.
- First Enterostomal therapist — Mary Jane Williams, June 9, 1970
- First use of chloramycetin for typhoid fever — Dr. Andrew Miglets, 1940's
- First neuro-psychiatrist — Dr. Dave H. Smeltzer, 1920's
- First M.D. and L.L.B. — Dr. Dave H. Smeltzer, 1930's
- First positive pressure oxygen machine — Dr. James Smeltzer, 1952
- First church hymn written (still in use) — Dr. J. J. Thomas
- First Tibial Prosthesis — Dr. H. J. W. Marcella, June 1971
- First physician to enlist in World War II — Dr. Matrin E. Conti, Sept. 1939
- First twin Pregnancy in bicornuate uterus — Dr. Earl Brant, Dr. C. Gustafson, Dr. H. E. Patrick, 1934
- First pathology Conference — Dr. C. Gustafson, Dr. G. Kramer, Dr. W. Bunn, 1934
- First specialist in plastic surgery — Dr. Richard Murray
- First delegate to A.M.A. — Dr. Claude B. Norris, elected 1939
- First amniocentesis — Dr. Paxton Jones, 1967
- First lobectomy — Dr. A. Earl Brant
- First skin grafting for burns — Dr. A. Earl Brant
- First pyleogram — Dr. A. Earl Brant
- First open-heart surgery (ventricular septal defect) — Dr. Edmund Massullo, Dr. Angelo Riberi, surgeons Dr. Elias Saadi, internist
- First steel wire as sutures — Dr. A. Earl Brant
- First X-Ray of human flesh (entire hospital staff present)—October 29, 1897 Patient William Knight, Girard. Located bullet in knee. 2nd taken by Dr. Robert Cade Parrish
- First physician pinned with medal by ex-King (Duke of Windsor)—Dr. Stephen Ondash

- First case of Schistomiasis — Dr. C. Gustafson, Dr. G. Nelson,  
Dr. A. Rappoport, 1936
- First case of combined polycythemia vera and pernicious anemia (in World)—  
Dr. C. A. Gustafson
- First viologist — Robert Tamburro
- First physician to graze sheep on hospital lawn — Dr. F. J. Biercamp
- First George Washington Honor medal of Freedom's Foundation of  
Valley Forge — Dr. J. Schreiber, 1966, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1972
- First alternate delegate A.M.A. — Dr. C. A. Gustafson, 1959
- Youngest President of M.C.M.S. (age 35) — Dr. Jack Schreiber, 1963
- First physician in Canfield, O. — Dr. David Pardee, 1803
- First physician to become a member of the International Society of  
Surgeons — Dr. William Skipp, 1938
- First physician to introduce fluorination of water — Dr. Walter Tims
- First abdominal-peritoneal resection - One stage — Dr. Dean Nesbit, 1933
- First diagnosis and successful treatment of purulent pericarditis—  
Dr. Dean Nesbit, 1935
- First peri-cardiotomy — Dr. Dean Nesbit, 1935
- First diagnosis and successful treatment of massive post-operative  
atelectasis of Lung — Dr. Dean Nesbit
- First Fenwal plastic bags for blood transfusion — Dr. Gabriel DeCicco,  
Sept. 14, 1953
- First use of Sodium salicylate injections for varicose veins—  
Dr. J. P. Harvey, 1920's
- First Cryo tonsillectomy — Dr. J. R. Sofranec, Aug. 1969
- First clinic for Alcoholics — Dr. Tarnapowicz, 1940's.

### CENTENNIAL COLLECTION TOPS \$27,000

Contributions from physicians to the Centennial Fund has continued to grow until it now stands at \$21,135 and is expected to be slightly more. Ticket donations came to \$6,150, for a total gift to the arts of \$27,285. Final disposition will be made during December and the exact amount reported to the membership at that time.

### ELECTION IN DECEMBER

Election of officers, delegates, alternate delegates, council members, foundation trustees and a representative to Blue Cross, will take place at the Dec. 19th meeting of the Medical Society at Ramada Inn.

Following is a list of the candidates as nominated by the membership at the Nov. 21st meeting:

#### President-elect:

Dr. J. C. Melnick

#### Treasurer:

Dr. Y. T. Chiu

Dr. W. D. Loeser

#### 1976 Delegate:

Dr. C. E. Pichette

#### Alternate Delegates: (2 to elect)

Dr. J. J. Anderson

Dr. C. C. White

#### Representative to Associated Hospital Service (Blue Cross):

Dr. C. E. Pichette

#### Council Members: (4 to elect)

Dr. S. G. Adornato

Dr. A. V. Banez

Dr. W. T. Martin

Dr. W. E. Sovik

#### Foundation Trustee: (2 to elect)

Dr. J. C. Melnick

Dr. John J. McDonough

Additional nominations for all offices may be made at this meeting. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. Reservations may be made at the medical society office (746-8431).

## A History of Medicine in Youngstown and Mahoning Valley DR. STEWART G. PATTON, SR. (1873 - 1963)

John C. Melnick, M.D.

Three months following the founding of the Mahoning County Medical Society the subject of this article was born on a farm in Pennsylvania; nearly 100 years later his two room office was moved from its original location and put on permanent exhibit in Pioneer Village at the Canfield Fairgrounds for generations to see a "typical country doctor's office."



Dr. Stewart G. Patton, Sr. was born on February 9, 1873 on a farm in Slippery Rock, Butler County, Pennsylvania, the son of Thomas and Maria Gill Patton. His early education was in a country school and he graduated from Slippery Rock Normal School. In 1893 he graduated from Slippery Rock College. Dr. Patton then taught school for approximately six years before deciding to study medicine. He received his medical degree from Western Medical College in 1904 (now the University of Pittsburgh).

Dr. Patton interned at Rineman Maternity Hospital in Pittsburgh before establishing his general practice in North Jackson, Ohio. He took over the practice of Dr. J. S. Cross who moved to Youngstown. Dr. Norman Hale was the only

other doctor in the immediate area. After six years he left. Dr. Patton was then alone for a number of years. He built a new house and a two room office in 1913, the office now on exhibit at Pioneer Village at the Canfield Fairgrounds.

Dr. Patton received his Certificate of Merit and pin for the practice of medicine for 50 years in 1954. His son, Dr. S. G. Patton, Jr., pinned the award on his father. Dr. Patton estimated he helped the arrival of 1,500 babies during his medical career, nineteen of which are his namesake. He delivered one set of triplets and thirteen sets of twins and twins twice to the same family.

A number of interesting stories were once related by the doctor. One was of a little girl he attended six miles from the Village of North Jackson. It was a bad night of mud and blinding snow. He diagnosed the case as acute appendicitis but told the family to wait until morning. With a need for sleep he started home in his buggy. During his return trip he realized he had acted unwisely so he turned around and went back for the child and took her to the Youngstown City Hospital 10 miles away during this difficult night. Then he operated by gas light and saved the girl's life.

Obtaining his medical education was difficult so he entered into an agreement with a brother that if he furnished the necessary funds for his medical education he would return the favor to his brothers and sisters. In this way eight sons and daughters of the family attended college. Two became engineers, one a superintendent of schools in Pittsburgh, one an accountant, and another a minister. One sister married a minister and the other a farmer.

Prior to his acquiring an automobile Dr. Patton maintained five horses. He drove a team in the morning, another in the afternoon and a single horse and buggy at night.

He was married twice. His first wife, Charlotte M. Clark, died in 1935. He married Helen Bowers Goodrich in 1937.

Dr. Patton had four children—two sons and two daughters. His son Roy entered the automobile business, his son Dr. Stewart G. Patton, Jr. is in the practice of orthopedic surgery in Youngstown. One daughter married and lived in Pittsburgh, another studied nursing prior to her marriage to Dr. Raymond Hall. Dr. Hall practiced general medicine in West Austintown prior to becoming a specialist in ears, nose, and throat and is currently in practice in Youngstown.

In 1921 Dr. Patton became a charter member of the Mahoning County Board of Health which was organized at that time. In 1937 he became Mahoning County Health Commissioner, a post he held until 1951. As Health Commissioner he had a major impact on the practice of medicine. He conducted the first mass chest X-ray program in the area against tuberculosis. He also spearheaded the first mass immunization program for diphtheria. Dr. Patton was an advocate of dog immunization for rabies and instituted this practice in the area.

Dr. Patton was active in a number of other organizations. He was a member and president of the Mahoning County Board of Education, member of the executive board of the Mahoning Red Cross Chapter and served on the advisory committee of the Mahoning County Chapter of Infantile Paralysis. During World War I he was chief examiner for the local draft board. He was a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Patton died at the age of 90 on May 20, 1963 at 1:15 p.m. He had been ill for about two weeks. His last residence was at 84 North Broad St. in Canfield, O.

As stated in the *Bulletin* in 1963, "He left his mark on public health in Mahoning County and both the medical profession and the public are the better off for it."

## MEDICAL DISPLAY AT BUTLER



Painting on left shows the formation of the American Medical Association in Philadelphia in 1847. Above is the exhibit gallery and the Dr. Patton office.

The month-long "Medicine in Art" showing of paintings at the Butler Institute of American Art was a handsome display of the Robert A. Thom paintings commissioned by Parke-Davis. The additional display of the entire contents of the Dr. Patton office from the Canfield Fairgrounds was an inspired idea to lo-

calize the show and to tie-in with the centennial celebration of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

There were forty-five paintings on display, showing the history of medicine from ancient Egypt to the present day. Great names and great events were graphically and colorfully portrayed. The show was bound to have a great impact on the public. The Butler Art Institute and Parke-Davis are to be congratulated for this dramatic presentation of the art of medicine.

The medical art show was on display from Sunday, Nov. 5 through Sunday, Nov. 26.

## GALA CELEBRATION CLIMAXES 100TH YEAR

Climax and high point of all the activities of 1972, the centennial year of the Mahoning County Medical Society, was Saturday, Nov. 4th at Powers Auditorium—a night to remember.

Close to 1800 persons packed the auditorium to help the doctors celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Medical Society, founded Nov. 13, 1872. Billed as the "Meeting of the Century," it was truly a gala occasion, with most people attending in formal attire.

Physicians were greeted at the door and presented with a boutonniere and escorted to a special section reserved for them and their families. Usherettes were daughters of physicians and members of the ballet corps.

The program began with a one-act play, "The Sugar Plum," starring Elizabeth Hartman, Youngstown's film actress who returned to town especially to take part in the celebration. Her partner in the two-man play was Chris Brown.

Following the play, Dr. John J. McDonough, co-chairman of the centennial committee introduced Elizabeth Hartman and presented her with a gold bracelet and rosés. He introduced Bentley Lenhoff, director of the Playhouse, Franz Bibo, conductor of the Symphony and Joe Butler, director of the Art Institute.

Dr. Henry Holden, president, then presented the Mahoning County Medical Society's "birthday gift to the community," with contributions to John Weed Powers, president, Youngstown Symphony Society, to Paul Zellers, president, Youngstown Playhouse, to Joe Butler, director, Butler Institute of American Art, and to Michael Falotico, ballet master, Youngstown Ballet Guild.

He introduced special guests of the Medical Society, James Sammons, M.D., vice-chairman of the AMA Board of Trustees, William R. Schultz, M.D., president of the Ohio State Medical Association, and Maurice F. Lieber, M.D., Sixth District Councilor.

At intermission, birthday cake and champagne was served in the lobby by the usherettes supervised by members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Following intermission, the Youngstown Symphony Orchestra presented a program of Americana, with pianist Joela Jones, narrator John Abby, and the Youngstown Philharmonic Chorus.

The special program was designed and executed by Henry Koerner, nationally known artist famous for his *Time* covers, who was present to autograph his drawing in the center-fold illustrating the arts of music, drama, ballet, painting and medicine.

Among congratulations received by the Medical Society was this telegram:

Sincere congratulations and best wishes to you and the members of the Mahoning County Medical Society as you observe 100 years of care and concern for the health of our community. And may we extend a special note of appreciation to the wives and families of our doctors. Working along with the men and women of the Mahoning County Medical Society through the years has been the honor and privilege of the Sisters of the Humility of Mary and all personnel of St. Elizabeth Hospital.  
With warmest regards.

Sister Consolata, Executive Director  
and  
Charles Cushwa, Jr., Chairman of the  
Board of St. Elizabeth Hospital

A letter from the Nurses Association reads:

The members of the Professional Nurses Registry, Ohio Nurses Association, District #3, extend their sincere congratulations on the occasion







of the 100th anniversary of the Mahoning County Medical Society. We appreciate the great contribution your members have made to the health and well being of our community and we are pleased that as a result of your Centennial Celebration, the Mahoning County Medical Society will now contribute substantially to the cultural atmosphere in the Youngstown area.

Please accept our sincere congratulations and best wishes for continuing success.

Sincerely,  
Violet Collingwood, R.N., Chairman  
JoAnn M. Siemianski, R.N., Registrar

In conjunction with the celebration, a month-long "Medicine in Art" show was held at the Butler Institute.

The entire celebration was under the supervision of the Centennial Committee, with Dr. Jack Schreiber, chairman and Dr. McDonough, co-chairman, and consisting of all of the past presidents of the Mahoning County Medical Society and Mrs. C. E. Pichette, president, and Mrs. W. T. Martin, past-president of the Woman's Auxiliary.

## THE REAL CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE



ABOVE: Drs. Banninga, Melnick and Jenkins recall some item of medical lore. In the group are (seated) Drs. Jenkins, Melnick and Schreiber, and (standing) Drs. Banninga, Holden and Hafiz. RIGHT: Dr. Woodbridge was there, too.



Attended only by a small group of sentimentalists, the true observance of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Mahoning County Medical Society took place on Monday, Nov. 13, in Dr. Woodbridge's cabin in Mill Creek Park.

In 1872, on November 13th in the evening, ten physicians met in Youngstown and called themselves the Mahoning County Medical Society. One hundred years later, on the same day, at 8:00 p.m., Dr. Henry Holden, Dr. John Melnick, Dr. Jack Schreiber, Dr. R. L. Jenkins, Dr. H. S. Banninga, Dr. Abdul Hafiz and Howard Rempes gathered in the cabin of the man who was the first president, to reminisce, to speculate, and to drink a toast to the outstanding physicians of the past.

In honor of Dr. Timothy Woodbridge, his picture was displayed on the mantelpiece, flanked by two candles. It was a solemn occasion—a time in history that will not be repeated until the year 2072. And it did not pass unobserved.



## LAWRENCE SEGAL, M.D.

1892 - 1972

Dr. Lawrence Segal, long-time general practitioner in Youngstown until his retirement in 1952, died at Miami, Florida, on October 21st. Dr. Segal was born in Russia and educated in England. He was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Medical School and interned at Philadelphia Polyclinic before coming to Youngstown. Older members will remember his office at 701 Himrod Ave. He was a member of Rodef Sholom Temple. His contribution to medicine in Youngstown was great and his passing is mourned by his many friends.

## HAVE YOUR BULLETINS BOUND

If you have saved all of your issues of the *Bulletin* for 1972, you may wish to have them bound into a single volume as a souvenir of the centennial year.

The cost of binding will be approximately \$18.00, but will be less if more than five persons order at the same time. Please call the medical society, 746-8431, to discuss cost.

To be included in the order, it will be necessary for you to take your 12 copies in to the medical society office. The first order will be sent to the bindery on Dec. 20th. The executive secretary would like to have all orders and *Bulletins* at the office at that time.

You are urged to take advantage of this opportunity. If enough orders are received, the individual cost could be as low as \$12.00.

Those who have not kept all of their *Bulletins*, but are still interested in the historical material, are reminded that the editor, Dr. John Melnick, is planning to reprint this in a small book to be available soon.

## NEW INTERN-RESIDENT MEMBERS

The following physicians were elected to Intern-resident Membership in the Mahoning County Medical Society at the Nov. 21st meeting:

Marina U. Allian, M.D.

Barbara S. Drabkin, M.D.

Lorenzo M. Farolan, M.D.

Mario S. Mercader, M.D.

Mullangi Sundara Rajan, M.D.

Avutu Rama Gopala Reddy, M.D.

Contrary to other types of applications, which, after being read before the Society at a regular meeting, go to the Board of Censors and then to the Council for final vote, Intern-resident applications are voted on by the membership after having been read at a previous meeting.

## CENTENNIAL PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

A number of souvenir programs from the Nov. 4th Centennial Celebration, "Salute to American Arts," are available at the office of the Mahoning County Medical Society. Many of these are signed by the artist, Henry Koerner.

Anyone wanting a copy may make arrangements to pick one up by phoning the medical society office, 746-8431. They will be given out on a first come first serve basis, with members of the Century Club having first choice.

## THE CENTURY CLUB

Here is the final listing for all those who contributed to the Centennial Fund "Birthday Gift to the Community" — a gift to our town from the physicians of the Mahoning County Medical Society as a "thank you" for the support that the community has given its doctors over the years.

- A Friend**  
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Founder of Youngstown)
- A Friend**  
(for Timothy  
Woodbridge,  
First President)
- A Friend**  
(for Henry Manning,  
Youngstown's  
Second Doctor)
- A Friend**  
(for Col.  
James Hillman,  
Youngstown's First  
Permanent Settler)
- A Friend**  
(for Thomas Shannon,  
First Doctor Killed  
In Civil War)
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and J. F. Lindsay)
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Melnick, J. C.  
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Youngstown's  
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Most of the contributors took the opportunity to sign the Century Club book at some time during the centennial celebration at Powers Auditorium. Those who did not may stop by the office of the Mahoning County Medical Society at any time and sign the book. The office is in the Bel-Park Building, across from St. Elizabeth Hospital, at 1005 Belmont Ave.

### MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

The membership roster of the Mahoning County Medical Society shows the following categories of members as of December 1, 1972:

Active .....	296
Associate (first year members) .....	22
Military .....	0
Honorary .....	27
Non-resident .....	21

During the past 12 months, there were seven deaths. Two members moved from Mahoning County. Three retired from active practice. Ten new physicians were added to the roster.

### WILL HONOR TWO AT ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. L. George Coe and Dr. Herman S. Zeve, honorary members of the Mahoning County Medical Society will be accorded the 50-year award of the Ohio State Medical Association at annual meeting of this Society, Tuesday, Dec. 19 at Ramada Inn. Both were graduated from medical school in 1922. Dr. Maurice F. Lieber, Councilor for the Sixth District, will make the presentation.

Principal item of business will be election of officers for the coming year. The traditional free dinner will be offered to all members attending the December meeting. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m., with a social hour beginning at 6:00. Reservations may be made at the medical society office, 746-8431.

### Outstanding Speakers

Those attending the Nov. 21st meeting at Sokol Center heard two outstanding speakers on Alcoholism and Venereal Disease. They were LeClair Bissell, M.D., Chief, Smithers Alcoholism Treatment and Training Center, Roosevelt Hospital, New York, and Malcolm T. Foster, M.D., Head of department of Infectious Diseases, Washington U., St. Louis.

At the business meeting, the membership voted to take all centennial expenses from the investment fund, and to make a \$4000 contribution to the Youngstown Ballet Guild.

## A History of Medicine in Youngstown and Mahoning Valley BASE HOSPITAL 31 — WORLD WAR I

John C. Melnick, M.D.

Prior to the United States involvement in World War I the National American Red Cross was sending base hospitals to aid Europe. Youngstown, one of the smaller cities requesting permission, was sanctioned to organize Base Hospital 31 on March 25, 1917.

In just a few days 300 individuals raised the necessary \$50,000 to finance the project. Dr. C. R. Clark was named director. The 500 bed hospital included X-Ray machines, laboratory equipment, surgical instruments, linen, refrigeration plants and many other supplies. The Women of the Surgical Dressings Service made 94,499 surgical dressings and 27,969 pieces of linen, gowns, sheets and pillowcases.

The 300 personnel included 85 doctors, 64 nurses and three civilians, the latter to act as clerk (Miss Louise Wick), dietitian and interpreter.

Commander was Major Adam E. Schlanser, of the United States Medical Corps. The hospital was turned over to the War Department on August 30, 1917.

The hospital sailed from Hoboken, New Jersey on December 13, 1917 for France on the "Leviathan", the former German luxury liner "Vaterland."

It was a long and tense voyage. In addition to the hospital there were 10,000 troops and therefore the ship could not be marked with a Red Cross and claim neutrality. To add to the tension was a prize of \$50,000 to the German crew that could sink the ship! As the ship neared England destroyers laid down a protective smoke screen. They landed at Liverpool, England on Christmas Eve, 1917, then proceeded to Southampton for a three day rest and then across the Channel to Contrexeville, France, where the hospital was set up and was to distinguish itself.

The author has seen a total of four different group pictures of the Youngstown doctors. One was published in the Centennial Issue (November 1972) of the *Bulletin*. That picture and another were taken on the steps of the Main Public Library on Wick and Rayen Avenues. A third was taken in France and a fourth, which included nearly all of the personnel, was acquired from Mrs. Dean Nesbit. The latter is four feet wide and eight inches high showing the band, doctors and other personnel. This picture was illustrated in this December issue of the *Bulletin*.

The doctors from Youngstown were:

Dr. Sidney McCurdy  
Dr. Ralph R. Morrall  
Dr. C. R. Clark, Director  
Dr. James A. Sherbondy  
Dr. M. P. Jones  
Dr. R. W. Fenton  
Dr. John L. Washburn  
Dr. Dean A. Nesbit  
Dr. Colin M. Reed  
Dr. A. Earl Brant

Dr. J. U. Buchanan  
Dr. David B. Phillips  
Dr. Forrest W. Ward  
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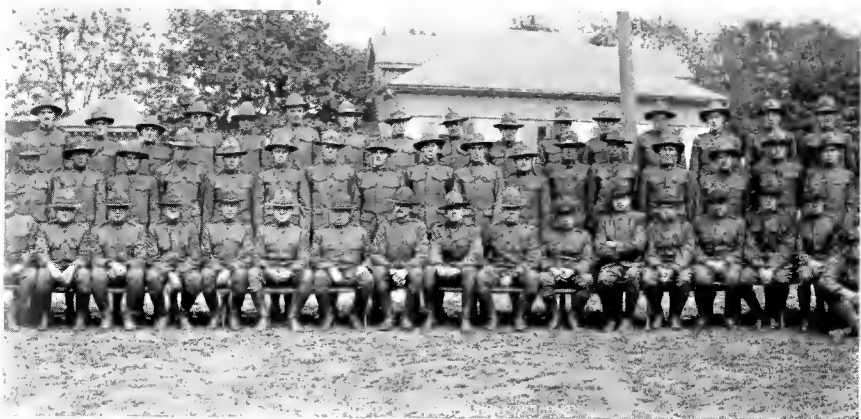
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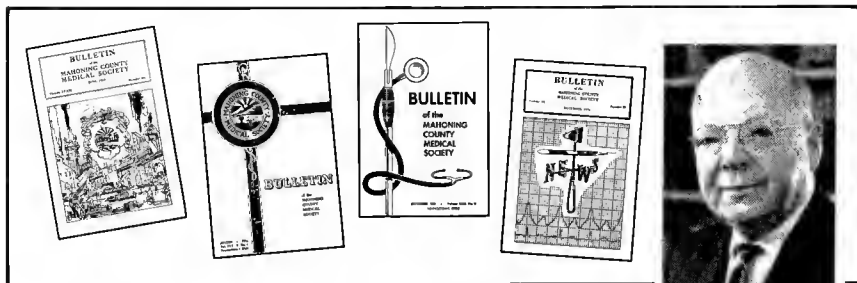
#### HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The staff of the Mahoning County Medical Society wishes a happy holiday season to all our members.

Howard Rempes, Exec. Secy.  
Mrs. Betty Belsan, Secretary



Here, printed in three sections, is the photo of Youngstown Base Hospital, No. 31. The original picture, which was loaned to the Bulletin by Mrs. Dean Nesbit, was four feet wide. Most of the physicians in the group appear at the right of the top picture and to the left of the middle picture.



## From the Bulletin

### FORTY YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1932

At the annual election, Dr. J. P. Harvey was voted in as President and J. B. Nelson became the first President-Elect. That was the last time we elected a President.

Louis Deitchman became the Editor of the *Bulletin* and got out the first number from a room in the North Side Unit where he was recovering from an operation.

The Society put on a Public Health Meeting at the Stambaugh Auditorium. Dr. Haven Emerson from Columbia University was the speaker. It was intended to be a big public relations gesture; the publicity was well handled but there was a snow storm and bitter cold weather that night and only 500 people showed up. Very few doctors or nurses were noted in the audience. Council decided to discontinue the Public Health Meetings.

Dues were reduced from \$15.00 to \$10.00, The State Society got \$5.00 which left us with \$5.00 per member to run our programs. It was tough going those days.

Samuel J. Tamarkin and Peter Boyle became members. The Health Department reported 71 cases of smallpox in Mahoning County and 6 in Youngstown. That was more smallpox than there was in Germany, France and Belgium combined.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1942

After a month's absence the members were happy to return to the Youngstown Club for their meetings. The situation was confusing with both the President and President-Elect gone to military service. Elmer Nagel was voted President-Elect and took office immediately. He is the only man who ever served two full terms as President.

New names on the honor roll: David E. Beynon and Herbert B. Hutt. Lou Deitchman and W. H. Evans were at Great Lakes. Sam Klatman was ship's surgeon on an Army transport while the F.B.I. was hunting him as AWOL. Goldstein was wintering in Newport while Zeve was baking in Trinidad. Nelson was at Camp Breckenridge in Kentucky, Kendall at Greenville, S. C., Rosenblum at Robins Field, Ga., John Goldcamp at Ft. Benjamin Harrison in Indiana, Lew Shensa at Camp Gordon, Ga., Luke Reed and Pete Boyle were in the Officer's Training School at Miami Beach.

Secretary McKelvey reported that there were 231 active members in the Society with 64 in military service. The ones at home were feeling the strain.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1952

State dues were raised \$5.00 to \$20.00 but Council decided to handle the increase without raising dues.

Dr. Armin Elsaesser died. He was a pioneer goitre surgeon, trained under the famous Dr. Koch before he came here from Switzerland. His portrait hangs in the Hitchcock Auditorium at the South Side Unit.

The Defense Department asked Selective Service to provide 544 physicians for the armed services by January. Since July 1951, 3,238 physicians had been called for service in the Korea police action.



**TEN YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1962**

President Stertzbach said: "Apathy is the chief menace of any Society." Right you are, Chuck!

The Board of Regents of the American College of Chest Physicians adopted a resolution declaring its belief in a connection between cigarette smoking and various pulmonary and cardiovascular conditions.

New members were: John James Anderson, Henry Paul Bauer, Jr., Harold Paul Hassel, Englebert Hecker, Nicholas G. Kastellorios, Paul Edward Longaker, Angelo Riberi, John Glass McConahay, Michael Joseph Vuksta and Nelson Melnick, Jr.

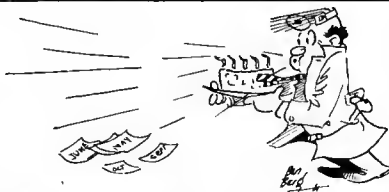
The poetry and philosophy of the late W. D. Coy were published by Dorrance and Company of Philadelphia under the title "Leaves of Life." Dr. Coy was a much loved contributor to the *Bulletin* during his later years.

The Health Department reported no case of polio, diphtheria, typhoid or smallpox but 23 new cases of gonorrhea and 3 of syphilis.

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—J. L. F.

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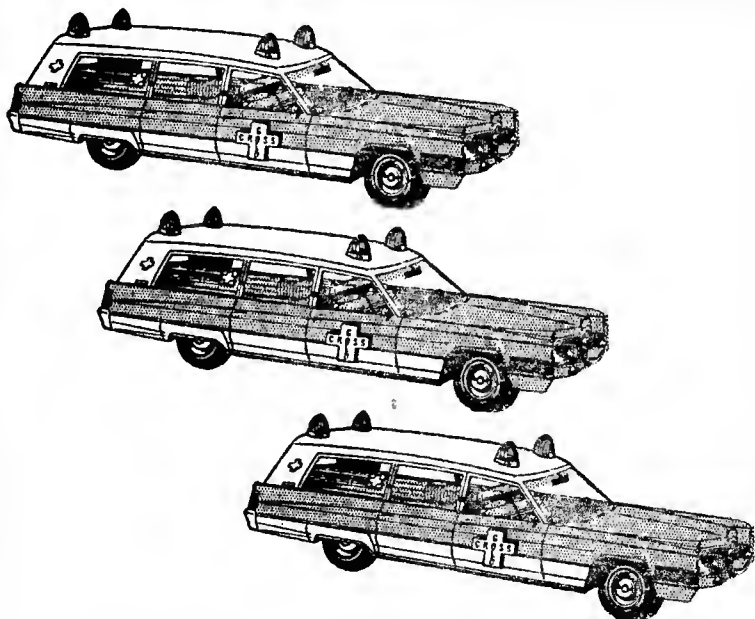
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